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SUBJ: BOMB DISPOSAL TRAINING

REF: STATE 37057, NASSAU 120 AND 1939

SY FOR DIKEOS FROM AMB WEISS; SANTO DOMINGO FOR RSO

1. BELIEVE QUESTION OF BOMB-TRAINING FOR BAHAMIAN POLICE HAS BEEN CONFUSED SOMEWHAT IN EXCHANGE OF TELEGRAMS.

2. REQUEST ORIGINATED AT MEETING BETWEEN DCM, RSO, PSO AND LOCAL POLICE OFFICIALS. PSO ASKED IF LOCAL POLICE HAD BOMB DISPOSAL CAPABILITY AND ASSISTANT COMMISSIONER HANNA REPLIED THAT THERE WAS NONE. HE ASKED IF LIMITED TRAINING FOR A FEW MEMBERS OF LOCAL POLICE COULD BE ARRANGED WITH EMBASSY/ RSO ASSISTANCE AND PSO AND RSO AGREED TO FORWARD REQUEST TO A/SY.

3. IF PROHIBITION RE TRAINING FOREIGN POLICE IS INFLEXIBLE WE CAN EXPLAIN THIS TO POLICE. HOWEVER, I WOULD APPRECIATE YOUR REVIEWING FILE TO SEE IF THERE IS SOME WAY TO PROVIDE THE TRAINING AS BEING OF BENEFIT PRIMARILY TO THE EMBASSY'S SECURITY PROGRAM AND NOT TO LOCAL POLICE. IF TRAINING IS NOT PROVIDED BY USG, IT IS UNLIKELY THAT LOCAL POLICE WILL ACQUIRE EOD CAPABILITY AND EMBASSY'S SECURITY POSTURE WILL BE LIMITED ACCORDINGLY. APPRECIATE YOUR HELP.

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